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11. Econ Assistant delivered reftel points requesting financial assistance for the World Bank-managed Kosovo Debt Relief Fund, and urging GOF to support IMF and World Bank membership for Kosovo to Mr Martti Eirola, Kosovo Desk Officer at the Finnish Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) on September 26. On October 1, Eirola said the issue needs some more consultations on the MFA side, thereafter the MFA will be able to reply properly. Post will report additional information septel.

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